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Autolists are warned against any such false modesty as hiding their lights.

More disease than he assigned to Harrison than he could digest in a lifetime.

The Tennessee courts seem to be busy these days upholding the prohibition law.

Mrs. Belmont's suffragette party includes Harry Lehr and his hat but not his monkey.

That Pennsylvania highwayman had all the nerve of the Far West and something beyond.

One Chance Depew, "formerly of New York," is going to California to settle down out of sight.

Omaha has a street sweeper who is a grand duke. Grand dukes is not a recognized calling in this country.

The aviator should not chew tobacco when he is in the clouds, for those clouds are there to moisten mankind.

In the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy Mr. Taft may find in the interest of peace have to supplant the hyphen.

If Chicago keeps on piling up its population figures New York may have to annex New Jersey in self-defense.

The railroad are now moving returning summer tourists, but pretty soon they will move the crops, which will be more to the point.

If the north pole belongs to the United States, some powerful ice cutting ships will be needed in order to let us protect our possessions.

Straw hats are playing their final engagement in Chicago, where Mayor Busse declines to lend them his moral support later than September 15.

Dr. Cook could not bring back a certificate attested by a notary public with a seal, for none were at home when he dropped, or rather slid, in.

Some large millers are also demanding that the order against bleached flour be abolished. The special interests are moving all along the line.

Dr. Cook traveled and got on to his prize in a temperature 117 degrees below zero. A temperature of that sort would discourage even Medicine Hat.

Another summer has come and gone and the mosquito is still permitted to bore into us ad libitum. Civilization is by no means triumphant.

Aldrich will soon come from the East and Cannon from the West to resume the business of conducting the country in accordance with the desires of special interests.

HOW TO MARKET COTTON.

The Department of Agriculture marks down the condition of the cotton crop on August 25 to 63.77, or just about 10 points below the average of the last ten years. The crop in Texas and Oklahoma is rated low, and in Alabama and Mississippi it is not much better. Current estimates of the growing crop swing around 11,000,000 bales, while the world's consumption is readily 13,000,000 bales.

Whether the government's figures are true or untrue need not greatly concern the South, provided it gets ready to market the crop advantageously. The crop should not be hurried to market, especially if the crop should prove to be but 11,000,000 bales.

The Farmers' Unions are considering this great question—how best to market the new crop. There is no problem before the Southern people so important as this. It is a large problem, but a baled product that is not subject to decay certainly can be handled advantageously if peaches and California fruits can be. The Farmers' Unions have the problem well in hand, and the hope is that they will yet work out a satisfactory solution of it.

It is a wise explorer who doesn't call Dr. Cook's discovery a fake.

HARDLY PROBABLE.

It is scarcely probable that the Cuban government has authorized an Argentine firm to raise the Maine, a battleship belonging to this country, without consulting the authorities at Washington. The Maine was suddenly sunk in Havana harbor in the month of February, 1898. No one knows just what was the nature of the explosion that sent the vessel to the bottom of the harbor, but all know that its sinking brought on a war with Spain in which that country lost her colonies.

This country has never been anxious to raise the Maine, although a contract was once given to an American concern to do the work. Some work was done on the wreck, but the effort to raise the vessel was soon abandoned.

This government will certainly have a finger in the pie when the Maine is raised. The vessel belongs to this country, although Cuba no doubt would act reasonably if it desired its removal from the harbor. No action will be taken by Cuba in relation to the vessel until the authorities at Washington have been consulted.

The raising of the Maine would presumably determine whether an exterior or interior explosion sank Captain Sigbee's ship, and then possibly the guilty parties might be singled out. There is an impression that some young officers connected with General Weyler's command did it, but no definite proof has been forthcoming or has been possible. The wreck should be raised and the truth ascertained.

THE REAL FOOD ISSUE.

The Remsen board, chartered by the aged Wilson of the Department of Agriculture, went to the Denver convention to advocate the use of benzoate of soda in articles of food. They did win by a vote of 57 to 42 in favor of their contention. And now the next step is about to be sprung on the innocent consumer, namely, the omission from labels of food packages of any mention of the drug, especially of the amount of it contained therein. If they win in the matter of benzoate other drugs will demand similar treatment, and old conditions of drugged and poisoned food articles will have been re-established.

Those cannery who use fresh, clean materials use no benzoate or other drugs. The good housewife uses none when she can the products that come to her hand. Why, then, should the cannery who have "pull" be permitted to use these drugs without letting the public know what they are doing?

The benzoate issue really goes very deep. It is an attack on the very centre of the pure food law, and if the Remsenites do succeed in opening the door to a secret and shy use of benzoate, the people who desire pure foods stand defeated and the cannery are triumphant. It would be but another case of a victory of special interests, and the new tariff is full of such victories.

The matter should be taken up by the people, for the cannery are already asking that the dread word "benzoate" be taken off their labels. It is a battle between pure food with no benzoate in it and all sorts of rubbish held together and rendered palatable by a drug that in certain quantities will confessedly undermine digestion. The battle is on, and Secretary Wilson is carrying the benzoate banner.

NEGOTIATIONS ENDED.

Selp Unwilling to Give \$100,000 for Mattamuskeet.

Raleigh News and Observer.

It was learned yesterday that negotiations between John Selp, of Ohio, and the State Board of Education with reference to the sale of Mattamuskeet Lake had been called off. Selp had an agreement with the board whereby no offer for the lake, unless from Selp himself, would be received during the month of August, but Selp did not make an offer and finally declined to give \$100,000 for the property, the Board of Education settling upon this price, although some want \$125,000.

There is no certainty as to what will be done with the lake or when. There are said to be several prospective purchasers, and a representative of the board is now seeing some of them in other states. Mr. John A. Wilkinson, of Belhaven, once offered the board \$60,000 for the 50,000 acres the state owns, but this offer was withdrawn by wire the same day it was made.

It is said a sale would be contingent upon the clearing up of the title of the board to the entire 50,000 acres, there being a few claimants to minor portions, and to the organization of a drainage district which would divide the cost of drainage and maintenance between all whose lands would be benefited by the drainage.

If the State does not sell, it is not known whether the improvement will be made. It would mean 50,000 tenantless acres to begin with and with no immigration agent of the State difficulty would be found, it was stated yesterday, in finding purchasers for the farms, and should it be permitted to lie idle in a brief time it would be covered with timber that would make it more difficult to clear the land than to drain it, besides necessitating the expenditure of \$10,000 annually for maintenance.

The thermometer "dropped," but it did not break the record.

NEWS FROM WALTER

Personal Mentions and Current Events Chronicled.

Autos Taking Fork—Great Improvements on Spring Hill Church.

New County Road—Cotton Crop Short.

Mr. William Johnson and Mr. Luther Johnson, from Lucama, were here last Friday to attend the burial of their half-sister, Mrs. Toby Howell.

Miss Minnie Tatum, of Wilson, was contributing pleasure to the home of the Misses Hooks last week.

Miss Millie Swinson returned home last week from an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. Henry Hood, near Mount Olive, where she has spent the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hood and the boy, from near Mount Olive, were here last Saturday and Sunday on a visit to Mrs. Hood's mother, Mrs. M. C. Swinson.

Miss Lola Hood accompanied Miss Millie Swinson home last week and added pleasure to her home for several days, returning home with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hood.

Miss Elizabeth Becton was the charming hostess of a house party at her delightful home here last week, and every day the pleasures of rural life were enjoyed to the fullest extent, by the number present.

Mr. N. J. Northam, of Wrightsville, N. C., spent Monday night at Oak Glen where we are always glad to have him. He is now promoting sales of his patent, and we are glad to know that he is meeting with success, and that prospects are flattering for an abundant harvest.

Our roads are getting to be a favorite rendezvous for the autoist, and every day they are seen speeding along them. On last Sunday afternoon the roads were full of them and the dust was flying from noon till nearly dark.

Messrs. Lon Dall and Charlie Coor went to Moccasin fishing last Thursday, for redfish. It was the fishes day off for biting, and although they returned with a nice bunch, we do not know whether they would have had enough to make the pan smell fishy had they not come in contact with the fish man on their return.

However, a trip a few days before rewarded them with about thirty, which they had fun in catching, but a redfish does not bite every time you shake a worm at him.

There is extensive and needed improvement going on at Spring Hill Church, and when completed it will be one of the most comfortable and attractive places of worship in the county. It will be overhauled inside and out, with new pulpit, new seats, etc., and newly painted. The good people of that community are to be commended for their enterprise.

The county commissioners received the new road leading from Mr. Everett Flowers' to the standpipe on Monday, and now it is a county road. If the convicts now will give it the attention they have the other roads, we will have the best road on this side of the city, and one considerably nearer to market. It is a great convenience to the people in this section and everyone here is rejoiced to know that it is now a county road.

Cotton is being picked by the early planters, and as was expected, the crop is coming in short. In fact it will be a very short crop in this section and the farmers' only hope is that prices will range high in order to compensate for the shortness. With everything the farmer has to buy being at high water mark in price, the price for cotton and tobacco are not sufficient to meet the demands of the expense account, and we hope to see them tend upward.

Last Thursday morning, September 2, just as aurora was pushing back the curtains of night, and the gray dawn was beginning to be reflected upon the eastern skies, the gentle spirit of our esteemed neighbor, Mrs. Mary Howell, the beloved wife of Mr. Toby Howell, burst its prison cells of clay and returned to the God who gave it. In the early morning twilight, when all nature was hushed in the quietness of repose, and the twinkling stars which had paved the pathway of the departing night, were burning low in the heavens' vast canopy, soon to be obscured by the approach of the rising sun; in the quiet stillness of the early morning hour, in a moment, yea, in the twinkling of an eye, her generous, motherly heart was suddenly stilled, her loving hands, which had known many years of faithful and untiring service to her friends and loved ones, had lost their tender touch, and the kind and motherly expression of her eye had given place to the lifeless stare of death. She had been a most patient and uncomplaining sufferer for many years, and especially for the past two or three months, each day but added to the increasing weight of disease which bore so heavily upon her, and her going from us in the early morning as she did but seems the dispensation of Providence, in sparing her another day's suffering. She was one of the best women we ever knew, a kind and considerate neighbor, a devoted wife, whose every thought was for the comfort and welfare of her home and mother whose tender love kn

and whose devotion to her home was a crowning virtue and a rich, whose services to her neighbors, especially the sick, was a blessing to the community for many years. She was a consistent member of Ebenezer Church, and died, as she had lived, in the full triumph of faith. The funeral services were held from the home on Friday at noon, conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. M. Caraway, attended by a large concourse of friends and relatives. She was buried 'neath the rosemary pines over on the hill at Oak Glen, where she sleeps the sleep of the just to await the resurrection morn. She leaves a devoted husband and three sons, Messrs. Jethro, Albert and Herbert Howell, who have the sincere sympathy of hosts of friends in this hour of sad visitation.

EUREKA HAPPENINGS.

Mr. F. E. Sauls and Mrs. W. J. Yelverton spent Sunday in Goldsboro, guests of their sister, Mrs. J. F. Ormond.

Mr. Tom Bickers, of Richmond, Va., returned home Monday, after spending his vacation as a guest at Mr. T. F. Jones'.

Miss Mary Bland Pitt, who for the past ten days was a member of Miss Beulah Martin's house party, returned to her home near Tarboro Monday.

Dr. Hugh Yelverton, Messrs. Sidney Edwards, Will Suggs and Henry Paschal were visitors to Eureka Sunday.

Mr. R. E. Chase and sons Leslie and Butler, and Messrs. L. D. Minshew, Oscar Bardin, Leslie and Arthur Davis spent Sunday at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis and children, of Woodland, spent from Saturday until Monday visiting relatives in and around Eureka.

Prof. E. B. Phillips spent from Friday until Sunday with relatives in Lucama.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lang and Mr. George Smith, of Fountain, and Miss Sude Smith, of Faro, attended church at Eureka Sunday.

Messrs. W. A. Martin and N. D. Minshew were visitors to Goldsboro Monday.

Miss Anna Sheppard, of Faw, is spending this week with Miss Mabel Minshew.

The many friends of Mrs. J. R. Sauls will regret that she continues quite ill.

Mr. Lawrence Sauls spent Saturday in Goldsboro, visiting his sister, Mrs. I. F. Ormond.

Miss Lella Martin is spending this week with Miss Eula Ormond, of Goldsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Overman are spending this week at the home of Mrs. Overman's father, Mr. G. R. Williams, of Newton Grove.

Mr. Frank Becton and mother, Mrs. Ora Becton and Misses Ora and Ara Becton spent Sunday in Eureka.

Rev. Mr. Blade filled his regular appointment here Sunday and preached a powerful and most beautifully illustrative sermon from the text, "Greater love has no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."

MAGISTER.

Eureka, N. C., Sept. 7.

BIG STEAMER WRECKED.

Thrilling Sea Disaster on New Foundland Coast—All Saved.

St. Johns, N. F., Sept. 6.—Thrilling scenes attended the loss of the Allan Line steamer Laurentian, bound from Boston for Glasgow, which piled up on the rocks near Cape Race during a dense fog at six o'clock this morning. The vessel is a total wreck, but the fifty passengers and forty members of the crew escaped to land after a trying experience.

The steamer rebounded heavily when she struck, the shock throwing most of the passengers from their berths. They stampeded for the decks, without stopping to dress and for half an hour much excitement prevailed.

A stiff northwest wind banged the ship about and the situation became so serious at seven o'clock that orders were given to put the boats over.

Twenty-five passengers, mostly women and children, were placed in the first boat, but unluckily the bow tackle collapsed and several persons were thrown into the sea.

Captain Imri had ropes thrown over the side and within fifteen minutes those who had been immersed were hauled to the deck.

Finally six more lifeboats were put overboard and the passengers transferred to them. The seas, however, continued to drench the shipwrecked stowaways and it was only by constant paddling that the lifeboats were kept afloat.

About ten o'clock, after the boats had been adrift two hours, a boat hauled a nearby fishing village was sighted. The fishing boat piloted the stricken craft to a harbor where the passengers and crew were cared for by the fisher folk.

A steamer left St. John's tonight to bring the shipwrecked people to this port.

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Effect of the Opinion Is to Allow the Board of Agriculture to Proceed.

With then Enforcement of the Inspection Act.

Raleigh News and Observer.

The opinion of Judge H. G. Connor in the case of the Red C Oil Company vs. the State Board of Agriculture, handed down yesterday in the United States District and Circuit Court, is of vital interest to the people of North Carolina. Every issue was decided in favor of the Board of Agriculture, and the bill in equity, filed by the complainant, was dismissed, the plaintiff being taxed with the costs.

It will be remembered that the General Assembly of 1909 enacted a law providing for the inspection of illuminating oils, to determine their value for illuminating purposes and their safety. A tax of one-half cent per gallon upon all the oil sold in the State was levied to defray the expenses of inspection. Ten inspectors one from each congressional district, were appointed by the Board of Agriculture to go over the State collect samples of oil sold, see that all vessels containing oil were properly stamped, and to forward the samples collected to the State oil chemist at Raleigh for analysis.

On the first of July the Red C Oil Company, through its attorneys, Messrs. Aycock and Winston, filed a bill in equity in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern district of North Carolina, and upon petition a restraining order was issued by Judge Pritchard and made returnable before Judge Connor on the first Monday in August. On the return day the Board of Agriculture, through its attorneys, Hon. T. W. Bickett, Attorney-General of the State of North Carolina, and Messrs. R. H. Battle and Son, filed an answer to the bill and the case was argued for two days before the court. The bill was based upon two propositions: First, that there was an unconstitutional delegation of power to the State Board of Agriculture; and second, that the act of the legislature, while purporting to be an inspection act, was really a revenue act.

Judge Connor in a most learned and exhaustive opinion refused to sustain either of the propositions. He charged that the legislature under the guise of doing one thing attempted to do another challenged the good faith of the General Assembly of 1909, and it was gratifying to the people to know that the court holds that this challenge cannot be sustained. The opinion is also interesting in that it shows the tendency of the court to refrain from interfering with legislative enactments, save where these enactments are clearly repugnant to the constitution of the United States. While there are many things about the case which none but lawyers can understand, the opinion as a whole will give satisfaction to the people.

The effect of the opinion is to allow the State Board of Agriculture to proceed with the enforcement of the inspection act just as if no suit had been brought. The Red C Oil Company through its attorneys gave notice in open court that it will appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States. This means that it will be a long time before any final decree is made unless the case should be advanced by the Supreme Court. The counsel for the plaintiff were allowed till Monday to make a motion to give a bond and have the injunction continued. The counsel for the State contended that it was not a case in which a bond should be allowed for the continuance of an injunction, but without argument this matter was continued till Monday, when counsel for plaintiff can make the motion if they desire to do so.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Under a judgment of Wayne Superior Court, rendered at August Term, 1909, in the civil action entitled Vaughan & Barnes vs. R. E. Peacock and others, the undersigned as commissioner will sell at public auction for cash at the Court House door in the city of Goldsboro, on Monday, 11th of October, 1909, at 12 m., a certain tract of land lying in Great Swamp township, Wayne county, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of H. W. Godwin and others, containing 112 acres, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in the Lowell and Fremont road in H. W. Godwin's western line, thence north 72 poles to a stake, thence east 49 poles to an elbow pine, thence north 83 degrees east with said Godwin's line so far as to include 112 acres by running a line directly south to the opposite line of H. W. Godwin, and thence with said Godwin's line to the beginning, the same premises conveyed by R. E. Peacock and wife to Vaughan & Barnes by mortgage deed registered in said county in book 93 at page 343.

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JACOB BATTLE, Commissioner.

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